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NEW DUST CONTROL ORDINANCE GOES INTO EFFECT MARCH 31

**GLENDALE, Ariz.** – Did you know that dust in the air can be unhealthy to you and your loved ones? This is why the state of Arizona passed a new air quality law that requires cities and Maricopa County to adopt local ordinances to control dust by March 31, 2008.

The city of Glendale, along with the other Valley cities and Maricopa

County, are implementing air quality measures that will restrict driving and

parking on vacant lots, require paving or stabilization on existing unpaved parking

lots, restrict off-road vehicle use, and strengthen trespassing laws and ordinances.

In addition, this ordinance includes the ban of blowing landscape debris into public roadways at any time by any person.

The Valley continues to violate the federal air quality standards for particulate mater (PM-10), which includes dust and soot.

"The dirty air does not only impact public health, but if not corrected could result in the loss of millions of dollars in federal highway funds for the Valley," said Doug Kukino, Glendale Environmental Resources Director.

To read the state requirements for city ordinances relating to PM-10 Dust control measures, visit www.glendaleaz.com.

For more information on the city ordinance, call the Glendale Code Compliance Department at 623.930.3610. For more information on air quality, call Glendale Environmental Resources at 623.930.2580.

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